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REF: BELGRADE 0025 AND 0243

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SONNENFELDT

YOU MAY CONVEY THE FOLLOWING TO MOJSOV OR OTHER APPROPRIATE-
LY HIGH GOY OFFICIAL CONCERNING THE BASIS FOR OUR NOTE
(STATE 300228) ON THE SOVIET AIRLIFT OF ARMS TO ANGOLA:

A. WE CAN STATE WITH THE UTMOST CONFIDENCE THAT THE

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SOVIET OVERFLIGHTS OF YUGOSLAV TERRITORY TO WHICH WE

REFERRED IN OUR NOTE WERE CARRIED OUT BY SOVIET MILITARY AIRCRAFT.

B. ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION, WHICH IS COMPLETELY RELIABLE, BETWEEN 35 AND 40 OVERFLIGHTS OF YUGOSLAV TERRITORY BY SOVIET MILITARY AIRCRAFT DESTINED FOR ANGOLA OCCURRED DURING THE PERIOD FROM LATE OCTOBER TO THE DATE OF OUR NOTE.

C. THE ROUTE FOLLOWED BY THESE AIRCRAFT WAS FROM THE SOVIET UNION OVERFLYING YUGOSLAVIA TO ALGERIA, THENCE TO ANGOLA, AND RETURN TO THE SOVIET UNION BY THE SAME ROUTE.
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